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Please issue a corrected filing receipt to correct the title of this application which should read as follows:

**CELL PICKING TOOL INCLUDING MOLDING WITH CELL-ADHESIVE
RECESSED STRUCTURE AND METHOD OF CELL MANIPULATION**

A marked copy of the filing receipt is attached. Copies of Applicants' Declaration and the first page of priority application PCT/JP2004/017266 (publication WO 2005/059117 A1) are also attached for the convenience of the Office.

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Title

*including molding with cell-adhesive recessed
Cell picking tool comprising mold with cell-adhesive concave structure and cell handling
method structure and method of cell manipulation*

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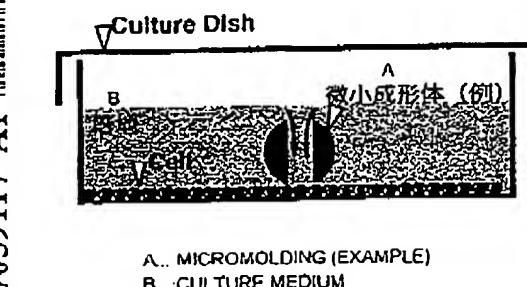
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(54)Title: CELL PICKING TOOL INCLUDING MOLDING WITH CELL-ADHESIVE RECESSED STRUCTURE AND METHOD OF CELL MANIPULATION

(54)発明の名称: 細胞接着性凹構造を持つ成形体から成る細胞ピッキングツール及び細胞操作方法



(57)Abstract: A cell collection tool, etc. There is provided a cell collection molding (cell picking tool) with recessed structure capable of collecting sheets of cells having been two-dimensionally cultured in a culturing vessel in the form of sheets without the use of cell dispersants, which cell collection molding is stationed so as to be in contact with cell assembly lying in a cell growing environment to thereby not only introduce a liquid component (cell growing environment) contributing to cell growth but also enable collection of the cells with their gathered form retained into the recessed structure. There is further provided a method of manipulating the same.

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**CELL PICKING TOOL INCLUDING MOLDING WITH CELL-ADHESIVE
RECESSED STRUCTURE AND METHOD OF CELL MANIPULATION****SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION**

The specification of which:

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- Express Mail No.(as Serial No. not yet known) and was amended on (if applicable)
- was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. PCT/JP2004/017266 filed on November 19, 2004 and as amended under PCT Article 19 on

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